

The code bands are crowded now. Morse Code takes the smallest band width to operate. It is very popular... and all that I use as well as a tremendous number of hams. It will work with simple, cheap equipment.

For low income people, this is a feasible way to get on the air. It works when nothing else will get through under bad conditions. Morse is a wonderful hobby for all and a great part of ham radio. We can communicate with other countries' citizens who can't speak English . The international Q signals make this possible. In the long run, losing Morse ability by our citizens will hurt the camaraderie that goes on now internationally via ham radio. Please preserve the Morse requirement and don't degrade our hobby to the status of CB radio!

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